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And range of mountain, sunshine crowned.

Amid the clustered roofs outswells,
And wanders up the winding dells,
And near and far its message tells,
Your holy songs, sweet Sunday bells.

Sweet Sunday bells! ye summon round
The youthful and the hoary crown'd,
The one observance bravely bound;
Where comfort, strength, and joy are found.

THE LITTLE COPPER BOX.

I am a cashier, and have been for years, and the story I am about to relate is a true one, and may be of interest to readers at large.

One morning while seated in the office reading the *Bankers' Gazette*, a man entered. Now several men had given us a call that particular morning, but this one was a strange person, who I knew at once had entered the bank for the first time. He was of medium hight, and well proportioned; his eyes were large and lustrous; but his lips were beautifully chiseled, and twitched nervously. A red scar, extending from his left ear to his mouth, gave him a repulsive look.

After glancing around the room he approached the desk, I laid aside my paper and arose.

"This is the Leroy Bank?" he said interrogatively.

"Yes sir."

"Do you take things on deposit here?" he emphasized the noun strangely.

"We take money," I answered.

"But things," he said.

"Seldom, sir."

"Then you have taken them?"

"Well—yes," I answered hesitatingly, not liking my visitor's looks. "We have kept valuables, such as jewels, wills, etc., in our vaults till called for. But it is not in our line of regular business."

"Just so," he replied. "I have something, a box, I wish to leave with the bank, you can put it in the vault, and label it left till called for."

I bowed, and upon requesting too see the article he wished to deposit, the man smiled and putting his hand in his bosom he drew it forth.

It was a little copper box, about three inches square. It was highly polished, and nearly covered with tiny, brass-headed nails. I toook it in my hands and examined it with intense curiosity. No hinge or keyhole was visible, not even a seam that would have indicated a lid.

"Well," said I, finishing my scrutiny, and setting the box on the desk. "Well, this is what you desire to leave in our care?"

"Yes sir. It is not bulky, and will not occupy much room," he answered, smiling faintly.

"It is a curious box," said I; "perhaps it contains an infernal machine."

"Far from it, sir." He was becoming impatient. "Will you keep it?"

"I suppose so. When will you call for it?"

"Oh, I do not know," he answered. "I am going on a long journey, and know not when I will return."

"Perhaps never," I said, eying him the while.

"True, sir teller, for such a position I think you occupy here."

I bowed affirmatively, and said; "In the event of your death—"

"The box will be called for," he finished.

"But how will I know the person calling for it should have it?"

"Oh, easily; write me a receipt, and the person presenting it will get the box."

I drew a blank sheet from the desk, and taking the pen wrote the following receipt:

NEW YORK, May 18, 18—.

Received this day, of——, a small copper box, to be left in the vault until called for.

JOHN HOWARD,
Teller, Leroy Bank.

With a flourish I made a small mark on the receipt, so I could identify it when presented.

"Now then sign your name in that blank there."

He seized the pen, and in a bold chirography wrote a name: Lionel Vascini.

"An Italian?"

"Aye. And now," he continued, twisting his grizzled mustache, "I will go. Take care of the little box, though it may not be called for in twenty years," and picking up the receipt and bowing to me he left.

For a minute after his footsteps ceased on the pavement, I found myself gazing at the box, which I was turning over and over in my hands. Where was the lid? My curiosity was raised to its highest pitch, and I tried to pry into the little metal stranger confided to my care. With my knife I hammered the eight corners, but no lid flew open; then I struck many of the small brass nails, but still no lid revealed itself.

Finding it impossible to open the box, I tried to conjecture with certainty what it contained. In the midst of my study the bank president entered.

"Hello, Howard!" he shouted, "what have you found?"

"Look," and I placed the box in his hands.

He examined it as I had, and handing it back asked where I got it. I told him all—of my visitor, what he had said, etc. He listened attentively, and as I concluded said:

"Yes sir, put it in the vault, in the middle safe; and when it is called for, mind, I want to see the claimant."

Away I went to the strong vault, hugging the small box as though invisible thieves were watching a chance to deprive me of it. I unlocked the largest safe, a massive one indeed, placed the box in one of its innermost apartments, relocked it, and left the vault.

Well, reader, days, and months, and years passed away; summer gave place to autumn, autumn to winter, year after year, and still the little copper box was an occupant of the strong safe. No claimant came. Closely I scrutinized every one that entered the bank, hoping it might be he of the scar; but he came not. Every day I went to the vault and took a peep at the box, and the President would jokingly remark:

"Howard, if you wish I will get a larger safe, and let you sleep in it, with that confounded copper box for a bedfellow.

Thus twenty years were numbered with the past, and changes have been made in the Leroy Bank. The cashier had died, taken his own life, and I was now at his desk. Marville, the President of twenty years ago, still retained his position, though in his seventieth year. The twenty years left their mark behind, my cheeks were growing furrowed, and my hair, once dark as night, was now grey.

Still that little box remained in the vault, and I had long since given up all hopes of seeing it claimed.

One day Marville entered hurriedly, and throwing his gold spectacles on the desk, exclaimed:

"John, I have seen Lionel Vascini!"

I sprang to my feet—Lionel Vascini! I remembered the name. I believe that not a day had passed, during those twenty long years, that I had not repeated that name a score of times—Lionel Vascini, the man of the copper box.

"Lionel Vascini?" I shouted.

"Yes sir; it is he," replied old Marville. "The same grizzled mustache, the same grey eyes, and identical red scar."

"Where is he?"

"At the Morgue."

"Dead?"

"Dead!"

I grasped my hat and hurried from the bank in the direction of the Morgue. I entered among the dead. I glanced at them and passed on. Here lay a girl, her features beautiful in health; there a young man, whose bloated face told that he had been in the water. Suddenly I paused—before me lay a man, the cold water from above falling upon him. One look satisfied me. It was Lionel Vascini.

"Poor fellow," said I, "he will never claim the box;" and I turned to my guide, and nodding toward the dead body said:

"How did he die?"

"He was seen to jump from the pier last night, and when he was fished out he was dead."

"His clothes—I would see them.

The clothes of the deceased man were handed to me. I searched them. In a pocket I found a knife, a comb, and purse. Into the latter article I looked, expecting to find the receipt I had written twenty years ago, but it was not there.

"Do you recognize the body?" asked the man.

"Oh yes; 'tis Lionel Vascini, an Italian. I will send a coffin for it to-night."

I left the horrid dead-house, and returned to the bank.

"Well," said Marville, as I entered.

"I have seen him."

"Now, then, what shall we do with the box?"

"Just as you say, John," said he again; "I have nothing to do with it; but if I had I would force the thing open, and see what it contains."

"Curiosity often tempts me to do so; but my word is given, I will keep the box unopened till my death, should it remain unclaimed till that time."

The President smiled and walked away.

A stormy day, eight months after I had seen Vascini in the morgue, a man of about thirty years of age entered the bank and bowed respectfully.

"You are the teller, sir?"

"No sir, the cashier."

Where is Mr. Howard, the teller."

"Here; you behold him in position of cashier," I replied.

"You were teller nearly twenty-one years ago?"

"Yes sir."

"Then I have business with you. Here," and he drew from his pocket a folded paper and handed it to me.

I unfolded it, and started. I saw a name never to be erased from my memory—Lionel Vascini. I had recognized my own receipt.

"Is that satisfactory?" asked the man, as I looked up.

"Yes sir, entirely so."

I stepped to Marville's room, called him in while I proceeded to the vault. Returning with the little box I laid it on the desk.

"Ah! that is it, though I behold it for the first time," he exclaimed, and he drew forth a knife and a letter.

He opened the letter, and read aloud: "The twelfth nail from the southeast corner." He took the box and struck the nail designated with his knife, but no lid opened.

"Turn the box over," said Marville.

The man did so, struck as before, and lo! with a noise like that of a percussion cap, a lid flew open.

Eagerly we bent forward to see the contents of the little box, which had not seen the light for so many years

What a dazzling sight met our gaze! The box was filled with diamonds of the first water. We uttered an exclamation of astonishment, but the man silently regarded the treasure.

"Gentlemen," said he, at last, "I thank you for guarding this box for so many years, and I pray you to accept these as your reward," and before we could utter a syllable, he took from the box two of the largest diamonds and handed them to us.

"But really—" began Marville.

"No excuses," said the man impatiently. "In giving you these I but fulfill my father's last request."

"Lionel Vascini was your father then?"

"Yes sir, I was in Italy when he died, committed suicide, you know. Well he wrote to me a few hours before he committed the rash act, enclosing me the receipt."

"But allow me to ask," said Marville, from whence came those diamonds?"

"That I cannot reveal. So good day," and the lid closed with a snap, and he was gone, while Marville and I stood bewildered, gazing a moment at our diamonds, then at the door through which the son of Lionel Vascini had walked with untold wealth.

We weighed our diamonds; mine weighed thirty-one carats. Marville's thirty-four. I still possess my diamond. It is of a rich sky-blue color. Marville has died, but I know not what became of his diamond, as he departed this life intestate.

Since that stormy day I have not seen the little copper box, or its possessor.

SOME of the streams which flow into the Arctic Ocean are remarkable for their extent and depth. The McKenzie, which lies in the British possessions, is from one to two miles wide, and is navigable for steamers for a distance of 1,100 miles up from the Arctic Ocean to Slave Lake. Colvill river, in Alaska, is another noble stream. It takes its rise by one branch in the British possessions and flows across nearly the whole width of Alaska. Last summer an American fur trading company, it is said, run a steamer one thousand miles from the coast on this river.

WENDELL PHILLIPS is in favor of Sumner and Revels as the next Radical Presidential ticket. Theodore Tilton prefers Butler and Revels. Revels stock is on the rise decidedly. Colfax is clear out of the ring. He is as little thought of as Grant. The Radicals are sick and tired of free love and gift horses. They want something fresh, and Revels is as fresh as a daisy, and twice as odorous. There could not be a stronger ticket than this, unless there should be two negroes on it.

WHY is Grant like a copper kettle? Because he has Dents all around him.

COMMODORE SCUDDER'S DOG.—Commodore Scudder, of the United States Navy, had a double-nosed pointer dog of which he bragged a good deal, and for which he would have refused a larger sum than was ever offered for a dog since the creation of the world. But he is dead now—not Commodore Scudder, but the dog. Like the famous hound Gelert, he died a martyr to his high sense of honor. The Commodore told me the story:

"I went out hunting partridges one day, and took the dog along. We had not much luck at first, but after a while Buster—that was the dog's name—stood and pointed at a covey of the finest birds I ever saw in all my born days. They were squatting down in the low grass a dozen yards off, in plain sight, and I determined to fire at them as they lay. I lifted my gun, took deliberate aim, and would have killed a dozen at least, but before I could pull the trigger, a courier dashed up with a dispatch, which, he said, required immediate attention.

I received my fire and read the dispatch. It was an order from the Navy Department to proceed, without a moment's delay, to Philadelphia, to take command of a squadron which was about to sail for the Mediterranean. I was so much excited, you understand, that I laid down my gun right on the spot, and went off, leaving Buster there pointing at those birds like they were north stars and he was a mariner's compass, so to speak. I forgot all about him; but he was a faithful dog, Buster was—and like Casabianca he wouldn't have left even a burning ship without my orders.

Well, I went to the Mediterranean and cruised around for three years, having a firstrate time. When I returned, at the end of the cruise, it occurred to me, as I stepped on shore in Philadelphia, to go out and see how things were at the place I went gunning. John and I went—and the first thing I came across was my gun lying there with the barrels covered with rust and broken clean off the stock. But what was my surprise upon going a few paces further to find the skeleton of the heroic, double-nosed pointer standing up where I had left the dog three years before. He had never budged an inch, Mr. Quill, not a single, solitary inch, that double nosed pointer hadn't, but he had stood there and pointed at those birds until he had perished in his tracks. Well, sir, after shedding a tear over my departed friend, I went a few yards ahead, and—*there were the skeletons of those partridges.* I regard this as the most extraordinary circumstance that ever came under my observation; but if any man presumes to doubt my word, I'll shoot him on the spot—I will, by George!"

It was queer, that story of Scudder's about his dog, but it would hardly be safe to say what I think about it.

THE CONGRESSIONAL GLOBE.—That preposterous publication, *The Congressional Globe*, was turned inside out in the House on Friday, when Mr. Randall complained of an incorrect report of the recent debate on the Cuban question. In the course of the debate Butler remarked, in reply to an inquiry of Mr. Randall's, that "Fools often ask questions which philosophers cannot answer;" and Mr. Randall retorted in these words, to-wit: "Fools are sometimes honest, and that is more than you are." Imagine Mr. Randall's disgust when the the *Globe* appeared with Butler's aphorism, but without Randall's retort? Imagine his intensified disgust when he ascertained that the retort had been cut out of the reporter's manuscript by Mr. Butler himself! No wonder he appealed to the House. Of Mr. Butler's explanation, and the many pleasant things which followed it, we shall not stop to speak. Our purpose is merely to remind the world once more that for a report of the debates in Congress, a newspaper which allows honorable gentlemen to revise the reporter's notes, and substitute what they wish had been said for what they really did say, is not the very highest authority.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

ONLY.—Louis Napoleon having ordered the importation from Kentucky of a few barrels of old Bourbon for use in the Imperial household, a Parisian wit remarks that it is only the "spirit of that name" that the Emperor likes.

A LOVING wife at Long Branch said: "The horrid surf makes me keep my mouth shut." Sarcastic husband: "Take some of it home with you."

SHADE! O SHADE!—When the mercury was at 90 on the north side, "Buckeye in Jersey" wrote as follows, warmly, to his "Dear old Working Farmer:" You know I admire trees, great, magnificent old trees; and this cool shade, so high above our heads, furnishes one of the reasons for it. I have talked about trees before and urged you to plant them.—Plant trees by the riverside, by the wayside, by field and flood—on rocks and sands—on hills and ravines. Trees of all sorts—"Trees pleasant to the eye, and good for food, and desirable to make one wise." But plant them wisely to begin with. Don't publish your unwisdom to the world by exhibiting on your premises a misshapen, sickly and unharmonious tree. Yet not for shade only, or shade and fruit only, or for both these and beauty only, would I urge you to plant trees, but for defence only. Defence against wind both in winter and summer. Let us try to realize the force of wind by considering a column of air seventy feet high pressing against the earth with a pressure of fifteen pounds to each square inch and set in motion at the rate of a mile per minute, sweeping over a plain twenty miles wide with no obstruction six inches high! Now place midway in it a house or a tree forty feet high. O, what a force it resists, but it stands! It divides that column of air and obstructs it in some degree. Plant another, you divide and obstruct again. Plant another, so that a column rushing between the two strikes it further on, and it is divided and obstructed again. So divide and obstruct all over the plain and you will have so much diminished the momentum of the wind that it will hardly be felt as a strong wind; your fences and gates, buildings and stacks, your fruits, crops, animals and soil, are saved from injury. If such considerations do not move you I will not argue the case further, but I will just request your guardian angel to take you by the hair and set you on an Illinois prairie some windy day in spring or winter, and let you see the winds lick up the very soil as well as the crops upon it. Therefore plant trees. They also moderate the atmospheric changes, preserve the moisture in the ground cause gentle showers to descend, and mayhap yield you a crop of nuts, apples, cherries or pears, or a lick of maple 'lasses in the spring.

THEOLOGY AND THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.—The Secretary of the Interior perpetrated a huge joke the other day on that sagacious Sioux warrior, Red Cloud. They had been discussing the relative temporal advantages and well being of the white and red man, and it seems Red Cloud had expressed some surprise at the wealth of the whites, wondering what inducement the plunder of a few Indians could be to a nation so rich and prosperous as our own; and no doubt expressed himself as anxious to enjoy some of the wealth and prosperity he saw around him. Said he: "The Great Spirit sent the Indians onto the prairies naked; he raised them just as they are, but you he raised to read and write, and put wealth into your hands; but I am not so." Whereupon our worthy Secretary, touched with a pious commiseration, assured him that we could not take our wealth with us into the next world, but must leave it behind us. Admirable consolation! How happy a thing it is that the Indian heart in its wild nakedness to day can assuage its grief with metaphysics. When he slips his cable in this life and sails off on the road unknown, he shall do it, says Secretary Cox, in as naked a condition as the Indian. "Be ye warned and be ye clothed." Perhaps Red Cloud will be converted.

THE ROSE.—The world may be said to owe the rose, as it is, to the Empress Josephine—probably a greater debt than it will ever acknowledge to the man to whose grand purposes she was sacraficed. From 1805 to 1810, she collected at her favorite residence, Malmaison, the choicest variety of rose that could be obtained and thus gave an impulse to its culture. Of roses there were in 1814, only one hundred and eighty-two varieties, and there are now more than six thousand, the poorest of which are better than any that existed at that day.

THE *Grain Circular* of Friedlander estimates that the wheat crop of California will fall short of that of 1868-'69 about 2,000,000 centals, and that we shall have 200,000 tons of wheat for export.

NOT A CENT.—Punchinello tells of Greeley at Long Branch, "sitting sadly, observing the swindling waves, which came all the way from Europe, and didn't pay a cent of tax when they landed."

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THE WAR.

The aspect of the war between France and Prussia, at latest advices, seems but little changed from that given in our last issue. Both nations are exerting themselves to their utmost to prepare for the onslaught. The two armies are being concentrated on the western frontier of Prussia, and appearances indicate that the first grand battle will be fought between Cobelentz and Mentz, at which point the Prussian army was being concentrated. We will not be suprised to hear by the next mail that the bloody work has commenced. The prospect of all the principal European nations being drawn into the contest grows daily more imminent; but how they will side will, of course depend upon the action of the two powers now engaged in the combat. At present Prussia seems to have the sympathy of the entire world, and it remains to be seen whether she will so conduct herself as to retain this good opinion.

It would seem that the nations of the earth were too enlightened to be continually plunging into blood to settle the trivial differences that may arise. Why, in the name of humanity, cannot nations, like individuals, settle their differences by arbitration. The present war will cost rivers of blood, and treasure untold, to say nothing of the sufferings it will entail upon thousands of the human family, and what will be the result of the contest?

One or the other of the nations will be vanquished. The victor will come out of the contest as bad in the general point of view as the vanquished. Both will be crippled in commerce, and the industrial pursuits of each will be prostrated, while the financial condition of the countries will be shaky. Nations at peace profit by the broils of others. They absorb the commerce and retain it.

Would it not have been better for France and Prussia to have permitted the other European nations to mediate between the two and adjust their differences amicably? Is there not more glory and honor in prosperous peace, than in successful war? The one builds up the commerce, the wealth and prosperity, and tends to civilize and enlighten a nation; the other cripples, prostrates and stagnates every branch of industry, and destroys the social condition of communities, and has a tendency to thrust a nation backward on its path of civilization. We trust that happy day will soon come when "nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

WE notice that the McGarrahan claim, which embraces the New Idria mines and Panoche Valley, after being rejected a short time since by the Senate Committee has made its appearance in the Supreme Court. A New York dispatch of July 22, says:

A Washington dispatch announces that McGarrahan has filed in the Supreme Court a bill against the New Idria Mining Company, and states that he has discovered a patent, and that opposite parties are trying to defeat it by obtaining a patent for the Panoche Grand Rancho. The Court has granted McGarrahan's prayer for a subpœna against the defendants for recovery of the treasure taken from the mines, and issued an injunction restraining defendants from demanding or receiving from the Land Office, or elsewhere any patent pending the suit or until further orders from the Court. The injunction, copies of which are furnished the Secretary of the Interior and the General Land Office Commissioner, is made returnable in September.

It is unfortunate that we have not a general law nullifying these infamous grants. A large and valuable portion of California has been given away under these swindles. Had not the valuable quicksilver mines been discovered the Panoche Grand Rancho Grant would probably have never been heard of in that region. McGarrahan has made a persistent and desperate fight; has been beaten at every point, but still perseveres.

FROM a gentleman lately from Bakersfield, Kern county, we learn that about everybody in the town is sick with fever. It is said that there are not enough well people to attend to the sick. Mr. A. D. Jones, editor of the *Courier*, is reported very low with the disease, of a malignant type, but we hope to hear of his early recovery.

CONGRESS adjourned on the 16th inst. In the course of their long session, this [illegible] creditable action.

THE BOUNDARY LINE AGAIN.

The Mariposa *Free Press* goes for an article which appeared in this paper a few weeks since rough-shod. The editor thinks we accused him of not drawing up the bill in conformity with the petition forwarded him. We do not wish to be so understood. We said the bill did not agree with the petition circulated in this vicinity, and intimated that it had been changed. We have the assurance of the following gentlemen, whose word no one can impeacth, that the bill does not conform with the petition they signed, viz: J. N. Walker, Wm. Faymonville, Thos. J. Allen, Harry Dixon, and others. In regard to the line as run, we have the the word of that estimable gentleman, Mr. J. C. Walker, our efficient County Surveyor, for giving the line as stated in the last number of this paper, and he gave it upon the report of his Deputy, Judge Lewis. He also gave us power to say upon his authority that the line provided for by the bill cannot be run, it being an incongruity. We trust that our authorities are sufficiently reliable to satisfy any one, anyhow we are content to trust our case to our Board of Supervisors, with the satisfaction that the preponderance of evidence is in favor of Fresno county.

MILITARY STRENGTH OF THE EUROPEAN POWERS.—We give the following statement of the military strength of the different powers of Continental Europe, likely to become involved in the Franco-Prussian imbroiglo, thinking that it would be of as much interest to our readers as anything else that we could publish at this time:

France has 414,932 soldiers on the peace footing, 647,271 of a field army, or 1,350,000 men in all for her ordinary war strength. Of these 370,000 men are ready to march at the tap of the drum.

Austria, which, correctly or incorrectly, is regarded as the inevitable ally of France, has 278,470 men on the peace establishment, 838,700 of war strength, or 300,000 fully prepared to move.

The South German Confederation have 66,540 men on the peace or 184,406 on the war footing, with 107,000 of these prepared for instant service.

Prussia has 726,000 men on the peace, or 1,266,000 on the war footing, with 300,000 on the war footing, with 309,000 ready for operations on her western frontier.

North Germany has 315,526 men on a peace, 551.993 on the field, 944,321 on the war footing, of which 546,000 are instantly available.

Italy has 376,721 on a war footing, with 197,000 of a reserve or 573 731 in all.

Russia's standing army in Europe numbers about 700,000 men, but it can be quickly increased.

As the matter stood when we received our last news France had 1,350,000 men in all to cope with the 2,394,727 men of Prussia and her German allies. Or France would have for the onslaught 370,000 men to march against the 1,053,000 of the Prussian allies.

THE MISSISSIPPI NEGRO.—Revels, the Mississippi negro, who honors the Radical portion of the United States Senate by being one of its members, is probably as highly esteemed in the Eastern States by his party, as any other of its leaders. He travels around the most of his time lecturing upon the Constitution and the laws of the United States, selling his photographs, and feasting at the expense of those who like to kiss the feet of his kind. This negro is the most prominent radical candidate for Vice-President of the United States at the present time. Several Eastern papers have hoisted the names of Sumner and Revels—a most excellent combination—a negro thief and a white villain. Such a fusion would form a ticket that would fairly represent the sentiments of the party, and could they succeed in securing their election, the happy family would be made complete by appointing Ah Fook Secretary of State, and Red Cloud, Secretary of War.

MAILS.—Our accommodating Postmaster, Mr. Otto Froelich, deserves the thanks of the entire community for the efforts he has made to secure for the people of this section the transportation of the mails. He has forwarded all mail matter for Centreville and Kingston by the earliest conveyance. A few days since he requested the Postmaster at Hornitos to forward, per express, what mail matter passed through his office for this place, and his request has been obligingly responded to by that gentlemanly official. By this method we were enabled to receive our Snelling and Mariposa exchanges on Saturday. While in the thanking business we will render homage to our clever and gentlemanly friends, Mr Russell Fleming and Mr. Charley De Long, the courteous drivers on Bennett & Co's stages, for many favors shown, and especially for delivering our papers at different points along the road.

THE NEW STAGE LINE.—We learn that the new stage line, via Hopeton, of Mr. Sillman, will make regular tri-weekly trips between this point and Stockton, henceforth. This is said to be the nearest and most direct route between Stockton and Millerton, and it is claimed that half a day better time can be made.

THE Indians caught a sturgeon nearly six feet in length opposite town a few evenings since. This is said to have been the first fish of the kind ever caught this high up in the river. On the same day they caught the first salmon that has been captured here this season.

A PETITION has been circulated and extensively signed, for the re-establishment of the mail route via Hornitos. We are not particular whether they re-establish the old route or make the new one a tri-weekly, so long as something is done.

A SLIGHT shower of rain visited this region on Monday night.

[COMMUNICATED.]

ED. EXPOSITOR:—I have again emerged from my ever quiescent sanctum to realize the fond enjoyment of a few whiffs of the pure air, in constant circulation over the Eden of Fresno, notwithstanding the mercury stands at this moment at 100 degrees, in the shade. I have just dined upon the beautifully flavored meats, pastries and melons, always to be found lavishly spread upon the profusely sumptuous table of the indomitable, energetic, and philanthropic Sanderson. "Red" knows the wants of the people and never swerves from the resposibility incumbent upon those who propose to accommodate the public with the many necessaries commensurate with their real wants.

On the 6th inst., I again visited my would be wardrobe, which would have been a real one, had it not been for other days (call them what you please), and put on what I had left, to the best advantage, mounted my horse, who, during the whole trip demeaned himself as a horse should do, at the end of five hours steady traveling, under the scorching rays of a withering sun, I found myself in the immediate presence of a frequent host, W. C. Caldwell, who, as usual, very kindly administered many comforts to self and horse. After partaking of a bountiful and and luxuriant repast, always accessible at Caldwell's, I betook myself across the street to Lem. Farrar's to get that which Terrence McGrant's cousin esteems the first luxury of the age after, fhisky toddy. Lem knows a good cigar and has them constantly on hand and everything else in his line. King's River (Centerville), will very soon become the Athens of Fresno. There will be seven new houses erected in that village soon—two large store houses, two drug stores, two family residences, and one wagon-maker's shop, which will add much to to the general appearance of the place. Our much esteemed fellow-citizen Wm. Adshad has a kiln of one hundred thousand brick near completion.

I was also present at the Board of Examination, S. H. Hill, County Superintendent and ex-Officio Chairman of the Board of Examination, in the Chair. Present: J. H. Vanness and J. E. Sherrard. It appears that several candidates had previously declared their intention to make application on that occasion for certificates of qualification in order to be ready for the new year. But all failed to attend, therefore the natural consequence was after a two days' session the Board adjourned, having accomplished nothing—the result of disappointment—to meet at the school house in the Dry Creek District, on the first Wednesday in September, in accordance with the behests of the revised school law. I heard very strong intimations from the Board that candidates wishing certificates had better attend the regular terms of the Board of Examination, from the fact that they would not convene for especial accommodation of ladies and gentlemen; and those wishing to become teachers should remember that the Board of Examination is composed of teachers in our public schools and the idea of their dismissing their schools at any and all times to meet the demand of lethargy, is a monstrous inconsistency, and an insult to the patrons and students whom they serve. What do you think of this, Messrs. Eds? [We will answer the question qualifiedly. If a gentleman applies, make him wait; if a married lady or spinster, as soon as convenient; but, upon the other hand, should the applicant be a young lady, let the Board get together and attend the case immediately, let the inconveniences be what they may. Seriously, however, we think it is preposterous to expect the Board to meet in accordance with the convenience of an applicant.—ED.] The Board will continue its session from day to day at the Dry Creek school house during the first week of the camp-meeting for the accommodation of all who feel interested. All are invited to attend.

I attended church on the 10th inst., at the Scottsburg church and school house, and heard a most excellent sermon from the Rev. J. H. Neal. The people of that circuit may well rejoice that they have such a preponderating amount of proficiency, in the person of J. H Neal, for their edification and instruction. I saw, while at church, many faces that I have seen in other days, and really enjoyed the many pleasant smiles, so honorably exuberant with that people. I also saw many faces that were unknown to me. I inquired the names of some, to others I was introduced, to some few introduced myself, therefore, I added largely to my catalogue of acquaintances in that quarter of our fast-growing county. I intend to attend church in that vicinity again, and I would be proud to meet the editors of the EXPOSITOR on some future occasion, that you, too, may drink in the reality of King's River life. If you should ever become wayworn, fatigued, or even slightly demented, and wish to cease from toil for the time being, go to the Caldwell Hotel, in King's River, which is kept under the immediate eye of W. C. Caldwell and his excellent wife, and then consult the ever efficient Dr. Graves, what and how much you should eat of the very many highly seasoned edibles that you will find constantly spread before you; do this and I will unhesitatingly predict a speedy restoration of the mental and physical man to its own desirable equilibrum.

KINGSTON.

Kingston, July 20, 1870.

[COMMUNICATED]

OUR POLITICAL SYSTEM—NO. 3.

HIST. OF THE PROGRESS OF GOVERNMENT.

We have traced government to its three principal forms, and it now remains to take a cursory glance at the progress the science has made, as evidenced in history, which may be divided into 1st.—The nomadic. 2nd.—The despotic. 3d.—The liberal—periods. The first extended from the original foundation of government in any form (usually the patriarchal) to that stage of society which demanded a less simple form, which was ordinarily the monarchical. Our earliest record of stable government, as existing over communities sufficiently large to be dignified with the name of nations, exhibits it in this, the simplest form next to the patriarchal, where the father, or head of the family, governed the whole family or clan. This record is the Bible. Before the flood there is little certainty; but afterwards we find not only the Israelites, but the Egyptians, among whom they were taken, living under despotic rule; and even to this day all the Oriental nations remain so. There were many struggles made by the Greeks and Roman to cast it off, and by the former it was, during the age of Pericles B. C., effectually done. The latter succeeded not near so well; their senate, their consuls, and their tribunes under the Republic gave them little more than the name and semblance of liberty; and like the Greeks, their neighbors and tutors as well in government as in philosophy, art and letters, convulsions internal and external often compelled a total abandonment of both the form and substance of their governments into the hands of absolute dictators, and finally their complete overthrow. Chaldea, Ninevah, Media, Persia, &c., were at the time of these improvements in Greece and Rome, and yet remain, despotisms. The struggles of the people of the latter countries, induced by the high state of refinement and culture they had attained, together with that instinct of improvement which has always moved the Caucasian race, partially attained their end; but first Greece, and then Rome, becoming the slaves of their own gods, yielded themselves totally to the romantic fascinations of luxury tempered by refinement, and fell before their hardy enemies of the North. After being each in turn the ruler of all the known physical and intellectual world, they degraded into the driveling dotage of nations, from whence their frequent attempts to resuscitate, in the middle ages and modern times, have proven abortive. It would seem to be a Providential law that the conqueror should be a benefactor and receive benefit. Greece conquered all within her reach, and disseminated her civilization; Rome conquered Greece and received great benefits, and conquering the known world stamped beneficial characteristics upon the institutions of her subjects. The Huns, Goths, Vandals, &c., finally broke through the weak barriers of the Roman empire—a despotic government, itself a shell composed of the fragments of the Roman republic—and received much of Roman civilization. Those who conquered Rome were barbarians, submitting to despotic government under the leadership of a military chieftain, and they instituted similar governments in the countries they overran. They have impressed the feudal system, their chief characteristic, upon the whole of Europe; and the remains of that mighty network of tyranny, so long opposed by the English, and finally overcome by them during the reign of Charles II., are yet to be seen in the institutions of this country. Under it William I. was more powerful than Nero, for all the lands of his realm had their title mediately, or immediately in him. Men's minds yielded readily to the system; knight-errantry, the crusades—the simple faith of the early Christian—the fierce baron, the lowly pilgrim, the chivalric tournament with its queens of beauty, and the songs of the troubadours all loaned their enchantment and ready support to its existence. But the stamina of the barbarian, elevated by the absorption of ancient lore, nurtured unheeded in sacred monasteries for centuries, created a different people, who craved for release from a thraldom no longer bearable. Then commenced convulsions, out of which has grown the liberty of modern times. Those convulsions have destroyed the evils of that day, yet we have cause to fear that its virtues—respect for religion, homage to women, compassion for the defenceless, and veneration for the wisdom and experience of antiquity—will soon, if they have not already been swept away by the unsparing hand of latter day fanaticism and levity. SOUTHERNER.

FROM Harry Dixon, Auditor, we learn that W. W. Hill, Treasurer of this county, has been credited by the Controller of State with $5.768 63, paid into the State Treasury at his half-yearly settlement, June 30th, 1870.

SALMON.—The salmon have commenced running up the river to spawn. Myriads of them can be heard nightly splashing over the sand-bars in the river, opposite town, as they make their way up.

ADJOINING COUNTIES,

The Mariposa *Free Press* says:

Mr. Wm. Snediker returned this week from the Fresno Big Tree Grove, where he has been falling and sectionizing one of the trees preparatory to conveying it to San Francisco for exhibition. The tree was fallen by cutting away the roots, or, as it is termed, "grubbing." The tree measures 22 feet and 7 inches in diameter, inside the bark, at the base of the section cut off, which is fifteen feet in length. A ring of the solid wood 6 inches in thickness, together with the bark, which is one foot thick, is sawn into pieces suitable for loading and numbered for convenience in putting it together. Then another cut of six inches is sawn from above the first cut, and this too is sawn into smaller pieces. Also a cut of five inches is taken from a limb seven feet in diameter. Mr. Snediker has been for several weeks engaged in this operation, and is not through yet. In general terms we are decidedly opposed to carving up these mammoth trees for speculative purposes, but in this particular instance it is but justice to Mr. S. to say that this tree has outlived its usefulness even as a thing of beauty, and is in fact dead from stump to tip. Fires which have either accidentally or designedly been set along this range of timber have sadly marred its beauty, and in many instances entirely destroyed the trees. More or less of them are blown down every year.

The Snelling *Argus* of last Friday has the following:

It becomes our painful duty to announce the death of A. J. Atwell, which took place at Bear Valley on Wednesday last, at 9 o'clock A M. The deceased was wounded by a pistol shot in both legs, in this town, on Wednesday morning of last week, and fearing that the warm weather here might be injurious to him went to Bear Valley, hoping that the cool and bracing atmosphere of that mountain region would accelerate his recovery, but from some cause lockjaw intervened and he died eight days after he received the wounds. We learn that the deceased has a father, mother, brother and other relatives living in Visalia, and also a brother in the town of Volcano, in this State.

From the Mariposa *Gazette* we clip the annexed:

Carr & Wark struck an exceedingly rich pocket in their quartz mine near Hornitos week before last, from which they took in four days 122 ounces of gold. They have been working this vein now about eight months and this is the first return they have received, although the former owners it is said, took out a large fortune in a very short time and went East.

NEWS ITEMS.

Burglaries are very frequent in Virginia city.

The Salt Lake grasshoppers have gone eastward.

Immigrants are daily arriving in Oregon in search of land.

The crops in Tehama will average over 20 bushels to the acre.

Grasshoppers have eaten up half of the Cucomongo vineyard.

The Quaker mines, Montana Territory, are turning out well.

The Holcombe valley gold mines, San Bernardino, are yielding handsomely.

Six hundred and fifty tourists have visited Yosemite this Summer.

The barley crop in Los Angeles averages from 40 to 50 bushels per acre.

Dogtown, near Oroville, was consumed by fire on Tuesday. Loss, $20,000.

Poppies are being cultivated in Lake county for the purpose of making oil.

Another telegraph line will be put up between Marysville and Sacramento.

There are 755 children between the ages of 5 and 15 years in San Diego.

Grapes and peaches in the northern counties have been much injured by the heat.

Thirty-nine thousand dollars was insured on the property lately burned at Dayton, Nev.

Great preparations are being made for the Fall races on the Los Angeles course.

Maxwell, the Gentile delegate to Congress from Salt Lake, was serenaded on Monday evening.

On Tuesday night Wells, Fargo & Co. shipped from Virginia twenty-four bars of bullion, valued at $57,784.

Two hundred cavalry horses for the Government were shipped on Monday from Corinne to Montana and Idaho.

PROCLAMATION.

Whereas, We, NORTON, I, *Deo Gratia*, Emperor of the United States and Protector of Mexico, hereby command all whom it may concern to restrain from any violence, outrage or wrong against the Chinese. That it is our fixed and unalterable determination to have the laws maintained with regard to them and all foreigners, particularly the treaties between our county and the Empire of China. It being the same time our intention to exert our influence and dictate to the Chinesen Government, whenever the exigencies of the public interest may demand that the emigration of the Chinese shall cease. NORTON, I·

[The above proclamation was handed Mr. Jeff Shannon, to be brought us for publication, when in San Francisco, by the Emperor. We trust that due weight will be attached to the document.—ED. X.]

RELIGIOUS NOTICE.—On Sunday evening, July 31st, the Rev. J. H. Neal will preach in the Court House at this place. The services will begin at early candle-lighting. This will, we learn, be the last meeting that will be held in this place prior to the camp meeting in September.

THOS. MOONEY announces himself as independent, anti-coolie candidate for Governor.

FOR PRESIDENT.—The Laboring Men's Association of New York, has nominated Senator Casserly for President.

MARIPOSA will have a camp-meeting, commencing August 12th.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA, }
COUNTY OF FRESNO. }

KNOW THAT AT THE AUGUST TERM OF the Board of Supervisors of said county we will present our petition praying the appointment of a surveyor and viewers to survey and view a route for a road, as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point of intersection between sec. 36, T. 11, R. 17, e, and sec. 1, T. 12, R. 17, e., and the present road leading from Leadrum's Ferry to Stockton, following said range line in a due westerly direction, until it intersects the present road leading from Firebaugh's to the Arcola settlement, and thence the most feasible, direct route to Firebaugh's Ferry, as the surveyor and viewers may determine, and that at the next term of said Board thereafter, we will move to have said road declared and established a public highway.

S. A. HOLMES,
JOSEPH BORDEN, Jr.,
L. A. SLEDGE,
J. C. DU BOIS,
J. A. MAULDIN.

Arcola, July 4, 1870.

ROAD NOTICE.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, }
COUNTY OF FRESNO. }

KNOW THAT AT THE AUGUST TERM OF the Board of Supervisors of said county we will present our petition for surveyor and viewers to survey and view a route for a road as follows to-wit: Commencing at Bonner's Station and running thence easterly on supposed section line to School House, thence northerly on supposed section lines to Kingsberry Station; thence easterly through Little Panoche to intersect the Visalia Road at or near Firebaugh's Ferry; and that at the next meeting of said Board after report thereof has been filed, we will move for an order to declare said route hereafter to be a public highway.

A. CHUBBUCK,
C. E. CHUBBUCK,
O. P MCKINLEY,
JOHN MURRAY,
S. S. CURTIS.

Panoche Valley, June 23d, 1770.

ROAD NOTICE.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, }
COUNTY OF FRESNO }

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, the undersigned, will apply to the Board of Supervisors, at their regular meeting, the first Monday in August, 1870, for the appointment of a surveyor and viewers, to survey and view a road as follows.: Commencing at Watson's Ferry and running on the now traveled road to Panoche Creek, thence up said creek to Mr. Cervante's, thence northwest to corner sec. 28, Township 15, south range, 11 e., thence west on supposed section line to the n.w. corner of section 23, T. 15 South range 10 e., thence north to the northeast of said sec., thence west of supposed section line to a point where said supposed section line intersects the New Idria road, near Bonner's Station, or nearly according to said route as said surveyors shall deem most practicable, and at the next meeting of said Board after the report of said surveyor and viewers, that we will move to have said road to be declared to be a public highway.

WILLIAM EVENS,
RHODES GARDNER,
HENRY, McGOWAN,
J. W. CRAYCROFT,
S. J. MILLER.

June 12, 1870.

FOUND.

On the ranch of John Wyatt, on Big Dry Creek, one Roan Horse, about 15 hands high, branded "W"; also a bay horse, branded the same, has a "mottled" face, about 14 hands high, black mane and tail. Both work horses. The owner can obtain the same by calling at my Ranch and paying expenses.

JOHN WYATT.

July 6th, 1870. 4w

The Fresno Expositor

COUNTY OFFICIAL PRESS.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

There will be regular preaching once in each month at the following named places, Rev. J. H. Neal pastor:

First Sabbath at the Mississippi School House at 11 o'clock

Second Sabbath Scottsburg School House at 11 o'clock in the morning.

Third Sabbath at the Dry Creek School House at 11 o'clock in the morning.

Fourth Sabbath in the Court House, Millerton, at 11 o'clock.

TOWN AND COUNTY.

HO FOR THE YOSEMITE.—On last Sunday Mr. Thos. J. Allen and Mr. Jefferson Shannon started on a tour to Yosemite Valley. They expected to be joined in the vicinity of the Fresno big trees by Mr. J. N. Walker. They were amply provided for the journey, having loaded down one animal with whisky, bacon and crackers. As they were greatly alarmed lest some of the party should get snake bitten, the first article mentioned on the list preponderated. It was found after loading their pack animal that blankets were bunglesome and occupied too much room, so they concluded to leave them and make up the load with whisky, as it was thought this article would answer every purpose. The party we have no doubt will have a very pleasant trip, at any rate we wish that they may; though pleasure does not seem to be what they went for, or, at least, only one of the party, Mr. Walker, went for that purpose. We understand Mr. Shannon goes with a view of opening a law office in the Valley. It is said he took a very valuable law library, consisting of a bottle of Hostetter's Bitters, an Ayers' almanac, a box of Brown's Bronchial Troches, and a certified copy of the sheep bill, and the law for the destruction of squirrels and gophers. Mr. Allen goes with a view of locating the waters of Nevada Falls, intending to bring them down in this section and use them in creating a water power for boring a tunnel through Table Mountain to run the waters of the San Joaquin through. We earnestly hope the good people of Yosemite will deal gently with these nomads and send them safely back to us.

FROM Mr. Samuel Stobie we learn that he and his partner are engaged in prospecting a gold bearing quartz ledge, about fifteen miles east of this place, and some three miles south of the San Joaquin. They have sunk a shaft down a depth of forty feet and find the ledge well defined the entire distance, with walls, clay casing, and the like. The ledge was prospected some years since and some seven tons of rock, which yielded a trifle over $30 per ton, was worked; but the cost of working was so great, on account of the high price of labor, the immense cost of freight on machinery to this point, and the like, it was thought the mine could not be made productive, and it was abandoned. Sam says the rock looks fine, and we hope that he may find a fortune in the mine.

MINING AT CASSADY BAR.—We learn that Messrs. Shultz & Co. have about thirty Chinamen engaged at Cassady's Bar, on the San Joaquin, about ten miles above Millerton, digging a race for the purpose of turning the river from its bed. They have about accomplished the task and the company will begin sinking in a few days. They expect to begin taking out pay in about three weeks. This Bar is one of the oldest mining localities in the county, and was named after a man who first discovered it, and who was skinned alive by the Indians in January, 1850.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.—From the Recorder's books we copy the following statement of the real estate transactions in this county for the week ending July 24: Robert Harlow to L. Hadlick and W. Marpa, 320 acres, $300. F. Page and W. S. Chapman to I. Friedlander, 280 acres, $1,400. S. A. Fisher to C. B. Moore, 640 acres, $3,200. C. W. Stevens to F. A. Stevens, 3,200 acres, $9,000. U. S. to James Kellogg, 640 acres. U. S. to H. Burnhart, 2,533 7-100 acres. U. S. to H. Burnhart, 1,600 acres. U. S. to H. Burnhart, 6,320 84-100 acres.

THE articles of incorporation of the M. E. Church, south, Millerton Circuit, Visalia District, have been filed in the office of the County Recorder. The Trustees are J. G. Simpson, Chairman; M. W. Matthews, Sec'y; J. C. Thompson, T. P. Nelson, W. R. Baley, W. T. Cole and A. M. Stathan. The object of the Association is to hold real estate, build churches, and the like.

THE King's River and San Joaquin Valley Canal Company have recorded their claim in the Recorder's office at this place. The Company proposes to take out the waters of King's river and convey them in a canal to be used for the purposes of irrigation. The corporators are C. W. Bush, W. A. Henry and J. W. Gregg.

HIGH.—Wheat and barley are now selling in this vicinity for three cents per pound. With such prices we think people are very audacious to say farmers can't make money in this section.

MR. FRIEDMAN, of Allen's saloon, has received and deposited with the County Treasurer $21 40, Stonewall Jackson Monument funds; and $4 50 has been received from Mr. O. H. Bliss, subscribed at Kingston.

WE learn that a disturbance occurred out at Dry Creek on Thursday last. Some fellow undertook to jump a gentleman's land, in that section, and he went after the "jumper" and made him jump.

WE learn that considerable mining is being done in the river above this place, this Summer, owing to the low stage of the water. It is mostly done by Chinamen, though, and is consequently of but little benefit to anybody but their own race.

LOW.—We learn that the San Joaquin is lower at this point than it has been in several years, owing to the very small snow-fall in the mountains last winter.

THE Board of Superwisors meet on next Monday.

The Vital Statistics of California

Show that periodical fevers and acute and chronic disorders of the stomach and bowels, are among the most prominent and fatal diseases in this State. Disobedience to the laws of health, as regards diet; the use of pernicious stimulants; and the wear and tear of business excitement, and of "fast life" generally, have much to do with the prevalence of these maladies in our cities; while in the interior, and especially in the gold yielding districts, they are chiefly due to malaria, unwholesome water, and the exposure and privation incident to life in new settlements and mining camps, NOW IT IS A FACT that it is as possible to protect the human system against these maladies as to guard life and property against the incursions of assassins and thieves. Strengthen the vital organization with HOSTERRER'S STOMACH BITTERS, and it becomes as capable of resisting the active principle of epidemic or endemic disease, as a fire-proof safe is of resisting the action of combustion. This is the experience of thousands who have remained unscathed by malarious disorders in the sickliest seasons, while their neighbors, who neglected to tone and regulate their systems with this unequaled medical stimulant, have fallen thick and fast around them. Weakness invites disease. Vigor repels it. Help nature to fight the good fight with infection, whether it be in the air, the water, or the soil, with this matchless preparation—a compound of the rarest vegetable extracts with the purest of all diffusive stimulants.

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FERRY NOTICE.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, }
COUNTY OF FRESNO, }

TAKE NOTICE:—At the Next, August Term, of the Board of Supervisors of said county, to be held on the first Monday in August, A. D. 1870, I will make application for a license to keep and run a ferry across King's river, at a point known as "Smith's Ferry," and that on the first day of said term of said Board, I will move to have my said application continued until Wednesday the 17th day of August, A. D. 1870, that 30 days publication may be made hereof.

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COUNTY OF FRESNO, } SORS, MILLERTON, JULY 5, 1870.

TAKE NOTICE: THAT THE BOARD OF SUpervisors of said county will meet at their office in the Court House, in Millerton, as a Board of Equalization, on Monday the 8th day of August, A. D. 1870, and will continue in session from time to time, until all complaints with regard to the assessment of property in said county, for the year 1870, shall have been finally disposed of according to law. Given under my hand on this, the day and year first above written.

HARRY DIXON, Clerk.

NOTICE.

The undersigned will apply to the Board of Supervisors of Fresno county, at their regular meeting to be held in Millerton, on the 1st day of August, 1870, or so soon thereafter as said application can be heard, for a renewal of their license to keep, run and maintain a ferry across the San Joaquin river, at a point on said river known as Rancheria Flat, about one-half mile below the town of Millerton.

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July 1st, 1870. 3w

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I will have my Blacksmith shop, the old McCray shop, in readiness for the execution of work immediately, and I will thank my friends and the public to give me a call. S. W. HENRY.
Millerton, July 6, 1870.

The Fresno Expositor

A SUMMER DAY.

There's a gaping rent in the curtain
That longs for a needle and thread,
There's a garment that ought to be finished,
And a book that wants to be read.
There's a letter that ought to be answered,
There are clothes to fold away,
And I know these tasks are wanting,
And ought to be done to-day.

But how can I mend the curtain,
While watching the silvery cloud;
And how can I finish the garment,
When the robin calls so loud?
And the whispering trees are telling
Such stories above my head,
That I can but lie and listen,
And the book is all unread.

If I try to write the letter,
I am sure one half the words
Will be in the curious language
Of my friends, the chattering birds.
The lilacs bloom in the sunshine,
The roses nod and smile,
And the clothes that ought to be folded
And ironed, must wait awhile.

I lie in the chesnut shadows,
And gaze at the summer sky,
Bidding the cares and troubles
And trials of life pass by.
The beautiful chesnut blossoms
Are falling about my feet,
And the dreamy air is laden
With their odors rare and sweet.

The honey-bees hum in the clover,
The grasses rise and fall,
The robin stops and listens,
As he hears the brown thrush call,
And the birds sing to me softly,
The butterfly flits away—
Oh! what could be sweeter than living
This beautiful summer day!

FOR THE CHILDREN.

AROUND the idea of one's mother the mind of man clings with fond affection. It is the first dear thought stamped upon our infant hearts, when yet soft and capable of receiving the most profound impressions, and all the after feelings are more or less in comparison. Our passions and our wilfulness may lead us far from the object of our filial love; we may become wild, headstrong, and angry, at her counsels or opposition; but when death has stilled admonitory voice, and nothing but calm memory remains to recapitulate her virtues and good deeds, affection, like a flower beaten to the ground by a rude storm, raises her head and smiles amidst her tears. Round that idea, as we have said, the mind clings with fond affection; and even when the earliest period of our loss forces memory to be silent, fancy takes the place of remembrance, and twines the image of our departed parent with a garland of graces and beauties and virtues which we doubt not she possessed. Always be kind and obedient to your mother.

A LITTLE boy and girl, each probably five years old, were playing by the roadside. As we came up the boy became angry about something and struck his playmate a sharp blow on the cheek, whereupon she sat down and began to cry piteously. The young rounder stood looking quietly on for a minute, and then said, "I didn't go to hurt you, Katie; I am sorry." The sobs were hushed, and she said, "Well, if you are sorry, it didn't hurt me."

WORK is the weapon of honor, and he who lacks the weapon will never triumph.

Happiness grows at our own fireside and is not picked in the stranger's garden.

A CLERGYMAN who had remarkable faith in Watt's hymn-book, said he never opened any page without finding a hymn entirely appropriate to the occassion.

A boy of his thought he would test his father's faith, and taking that old song: "Old Grimes is dead," pasted it on one of the pages of the book over one of the hymns, and did it so nicely that it could not be easily detected.

The minister took the hymn-book to church one Sabbath morning, and happening to open that very page commenced to read:

"Old Grimes is dead—"

There was a sensation in the audience. He looked at the choir and and they looked at him, but he had unbounded faith in Watt's hymns, and he undertook it again, commencing with the same line.

There was another sensation in the audience. Looking at it again, and then at the congregation, and then at the choir, said he:

"Brethren, it is here in the regular order in Watt's hymn-book, and we'll sing it anyhow."

THE principal product of Styria is iron. A tradition of long standing among the natives relates that when the barbarians from the region north of the Danube drove the Romans from Styria, the Geni of the Mountains appeared to the conquerors and said: "Take your choice: Will you have gold mines for a year, silver for twenty years, or iron forever?" The wise ancestors of the Styrians, who had just began to appreciate the relative value of the precious metals, at once desired to accept iron forever.

EXPRESSIVE.—We have seldom heard anything more thoroughly expressive than the following: During a dreary and tedious session of the Chamber, a Senator saw a spider swinging in the air. "Poor spider," he exclaimed, "how tired he must be!"

DOUBTS.—At a recent trial in France, the foreman of the jury, placing his hand on his heart and with a voice choked with emotion, gave in the following verdict: "The accused is guilty, but we have our doubts as to his identity."

HOUSE, FARM AND GARDEN.

STIRRING SOIL.—We find the following answer to a correspondent in the *House and Home* which is peculiarly applicable to our dry seasons in California:

"If the soil is likely to bake—become, as it were, stone—the more it is stirred, the better; and this is not unfrequently the case on clayey lands or where there is but little clear loam.

When soil is cooler than the air—and it always is when in the shade—it will condense moisture from the air even in dry weather, and this is one reason why we stir the soil in a drought. When the ground is turned up, the air in the interstices between the clogs become cooled, because it is not affected by the direct rays of the sun, and as a result moisture is condensed and deposited in the soil.

Every person must have observed the condensation of moisture upon the outside of a pitcher filled with ice water, and if a piece of polished steel is put into a refrigerator until it becomes cold and then suddenly brought into the air (no matter how dry and warm the latter may be) it will be immediately covered with water. Now it must be apparent to any one who has tried the experiment that the moisture comes out of the air and not from the metal.

We should take advantage of this condition and try to get the air into the soil by cultivating it even in dry weather. A heavy, fine, compact clay will dry more rapidly in very hot weather than a lighter soil, simply because it contains less air, and is therefore a better conductor of the heat which drives out its moisture.

SALTING CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES.—Leave half an inch of stem on cucumbers—wash them in cold water—immediately pack with salt in alternate layers, salt next to the wood; one barrel of salt to five of cucumbers. Fill barrel full putting salt on top—cut a board so as to just fit inside the barrel—bore half a dozen half inch holes through it—place it on the pickels, with a stone, which should weigh at least twenty-five pounds on top, so as to keep the pickels always in brine. Take off all the scum which rises. Keep the barrel in the shade, and in four weeks take off the board and fill to the top, as they will settle some. Put more salt on, and they are finished.

THOSE keeping horses should, twice a week, throw into their feed a handful of salt and ashes. Horses relish this, and it will keep their hair short and fine. It will prevent bots, colic, etc. A little ground sulphur mixed with salt and ashes and given once in two or three weeks is also beneficial. All domestic animals will be thus benefitted.

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THE *North British Review* thus comments on what it is pleased to term "The doom of our world:" What this change is to be we do not even conjecture; but we see in the heavens themselve some traces of the destructive elements, and in indications of their power. The fragments of broken planets, the descent of meteoric stones upon the globe, the wheeling comets welding their loose materials at the solar surface, the volcanic eruptions on our own satelite, the appearance of new stars, and the disappearance of others, are all foreshadows of that impending convulsion to which the entire system of the world is doomed. Thus placed on a planet which is to be burnt up, and under heavens that are to pass away; thus treading as it were on the cemeteries of other worlds, and dwelling in the mausoleums of other planets, let us learn the lesson of humanity and wisdom, if we have not already been taught in the school of revelation.

A DOWN East editor, who has been keeping a record of big beets, announces that at last "the beet that beat the beet that beat the other beet, is now beaten by a beet that beats all the beets, whether the original beet, the beet that beat the beet, or the beet that beat the beet that beat the other beet.

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Calico Dress	0	57	6	37
Chemise	1	10	10	31
Night Dress	1	7	10	2
Muslin Skirt	0	39	7	10
Muslin Skirt, 15 tucks	2	30	22	10
Infant's Plain Robe	0	35	8	5
Infant's robe 50 plaits	7	35	41	50
Plain Drawers	0	35	4	16
Quilting Silk Skirt	11	30	50	20
Stitching 12 linen collars	0	43	10	5
Stitching 12 linen cuffs	0	40	10	15
Stitching 12 shirt fronts	1	20	23	20
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